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United States Dept. of Agriculture Estimates Crop Prospects for 1935 Below Average.

As the planting season opens it is apparent that crop prospects in the country as a whole are much better than at this time last year but they are still substantially below average due chiefly to carryover effects of last year's widespread drought. Desperately dry conditions still prevail in the Southern Great Plains area, including portions of five States in the area surrounding the western tip of Oklahoma. In the northern half of the Great Plains area most sections have had enough rain to meet current needs, but the supply of subsoil moisture is still deficient in some areas and crops will be more dependent than usual on timely rains during the growing season. In the eastern half of the country crop prospects appear to differ little from those usually prevailing this early in the season.

WINTER WHEAT About 13,839,000 acres of the wheat sown last fall have been abandoned, practically all of the abandonment being in the dry

Southwestern area.

In other sections prospects for winter wheat are about average for this season of the year and production is expected to total 431,637,000 bushels which would be about 7 percent above last year's production but about 23 percent below the average production during the preceding ten years.

RYE The rye crop is expected to exceed 40,000,000 bus. compared with the abnormally low production of 16,040,000 bus. harvested last year and an average of 40,375,000 bus. during the preceding 10 years.

HAY AND PASTURE The condition of farm pastures on May 1, as reported by crop correspondents, averaged 69.5 percent compared with 66.2 last year. With the exception of last year, the condition is lower than in any previous May in 50 years. Over most of the drought area, however, stands of grass in meadows, pastures and ranges

have been more or less thinned and in some sections, particularly in the dust blowing area, more than one season of favorable growing weather will be required to reestablish the normal carrying capacity of the pastures. With some loss of acreage in hay meadows and new seedings, a widespread thinning of stands, a late start in growth, and limited seed supplies for some of the common emergency hay crops, another light hay crop seems probable, although prospects are markedly better than they were this time last year.

The lateness of the spring is complicating the general shortage of feed. On a large proportion of the farms in last year's drought area hay supplies were exhausted by May 1 and total hay supplies on farms in the country as a whole are estimated to have been a third less than the tonnage on hand a year ago when supplies were lower than in any of the previous thirteen years for which records are available.

TIMOTHY

	Per Bushel
**Fancy	\$ 8.55
**FANCY Extra 99%.....	9.00
*▽ Trinity 99.50% ...Write for Prices	
	Per Pound
*Timothy & Alsike 20% -	.21
* " & " 15% -	.20

*U.S. VERIFIED ORIGIN ALFALFA

	Per Pound
▽ Kansas Okla. 99.80%.....	.191½
▽ Kansas 99.75%.....	.21
▽ Northwestern .....	.25
▽ Grimm State sealed certified	.32
□ " " " " "	.30
▽ Affidavit Grimm U. S. Ver.	.26

VERIFIED ORIGIN CLOVER WHENEVER DESIRED.

*DOMESTIC RED CLOVER

	Per Bushel
▽ Trinity 99.50%	\$12.00

*SAPLING or MAMMOTH

▽ Trinity 99.50%	\$12.60
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*ALSYKE

□ Square	\$15.00
▽ Trinity 99%.....	\$15.60

	Per Pound
▽ UNHULLED SWEET....	.071½
▽ WHITE SWEET Clover*	.091½
▽ YELLOW SWEET*.....	.091½

▽ Japan Clover** .....	.08
▽ Korean Lespedeza.....	.06
▽ Kobe .....	.10
▽ Sericea Hulled.....	.19
▽ Tenn. 76 .....	.15

	Per Pound
□ WHITE CLOVER 97% .....	.21
▽ WHITE CLOVER**98% .....	.22

**KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS

□ Square 75% .....	.22
▽ Trinity 80% .....	.23

*REDTOP-HERDS GRASS

□ Square 90%.....	.13
▽ Trinity 95%.....	.13½
▽ Unhulled** .....	.06
▽ Chaff** .....	.03

**ORCHARD GRASS

□ Orchard 90%.....	.14
▽ Orchard 95% onion free....	.15

Crimson Clover \$12.00

Austrian Peas 5.50

Hairy Vetch 11.50

**D. E. RAPE - - \$3.50

Canada Peas \$4.00

SUDAN Grass New Crop .10

Millet Tenn..... .07

Cane041½

***SEED CORN per bu.

Eureka Ensilage Corn Va.Grown	\$2.25
Lancaster Sure Crop Corn.....	1.80
Reids Yellow Dent Corn.....	1.85
West Branch Sweepstakes Corn..	2.25
Johnson Co. White.....	1.85

**LAWN GRASSES

Trinity 100 lb. bags.....	\$.30
Trinity 100 lb. in 5 lb. bags.....	.31
Trinity 100 lb. in 1 lb. Cartons....	.32
Evergreen 100 lb. bags.....	.22
Evergreen 100 lb. in 3 lb. bags....	.23
Velvet Lawngrass 100 lb. bags.....	.17
▽ Shady Lawngrass 100 lb. bags.....	.30
▽ WHITE CLOVER 220 lb. bags....	.22
LAWNSPUR 100 lb. bags	3.00
LAWNSPUR 25 lb. bags.....	.90

**FARM and TURF GRASSES

▽ DOMESTIC RYEGRASS .....	.05
□ Pasture Mixture.....	.18
▽ Pacey's Ryegrass, Imported	
▽ Perennial Ryegrass, "	
▽ Italian Ryegrass, "	
▽ Poa Trivialis.....	.30
▽ Chewings Fescue.....	.55
▽ Sheep Fescue.....	.40
▽ Red Fescue.....	.40
▽ Hard Fescue.....	.40
▽ Colonial Bentgrass.....	.85
▽ German Bentgrass(Creeping)	.80
▽ R. I. Bentgrass .....	.85
▽ Seaside Bent.....	.90
▽ Meadow Fescue.....	.20
▽ Bermuda Grass *.....	.20
▽ Tall Oat Grass.....	.15

COWPEAS

Mixed	\$1.80
Mixed Whipp	2.20
Brown Whipp	2.50
Grey Whipp.....	2.50
Clasp	2.20
Blacks	2.50
Mixed Peas and Beans.....	1.70

SOY BEANS

Wilsons	\$1.35
M. Y.....	1.55
Virginia.....	1.50

PACKING { *Cotton Bags--30c--net weight
**Burlap Sax--free-gross weight
***Burlap Sax--12c--net weight



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